

Indiana Disproportionality Committee
Minutes

Meeting Date: June 14, 2006

Conference Room: 4

1:00 am - 3:00 pm

Members Present: Angela Coulon, Jane Bisbee, Karega Rausch, Megan Chaille, Gabrielle Campo, Beth Mickelson, Delores Kennedy-Williams, Darrell Gordon, Monique Busch, Dave Judkins, Ericka Stallworth and Devina Jani.

New Members Present: Kathryn Lee (Indiana Civil Rights Theatre), Melissa Norman, April Dubree (Youth Law Team of Indiana: Compliance Monitor), and Layla Baker (Sitting in for Calvin Roberson - IMHC).

Members on Phone: None.

Review of May Minutes: Accepted but additional review will be done - if changes are needed please direct them to Devina (djani@cji.in.gov)

Presentation: Melissa Norman, DCS Presentation (Southwest Region) Please see attached document.

Committee Reports:

Objective A: Research, Data collection, analysis and dissemination

Membership: Megan, Monique, Michelle, Devina, ~~Ronnie~~, Beth, Karega-

Overview of Trainings/Presentation Progress, and Grant Submission

Most Recent Presentations:

1. IDC Committee Members Training

- Intensive dialogue in regards to definitions listed within presentation.
- Research sub-committee will review definitions listed and context in which definitions are defined.
Recommendations: Provide an example of each word defined; Put pertinent definitions on slide and place the rest on glossary of terms sheet.
Definitions (revised) will be brought to the Committee at the next meeting.
- Scope focuses on child welfare and juvenile justice. We have put forth community outreach efforts in the education and mental health areas. However, reality is stated that the mission limits us to concentrate on child welfare and juvenile justice systems. We are addressing the two additional realms because we are aware as a committee that disproportionality encompasses all sectors.

Training Concerns:

1. We do not have enough participation from committee members (trained) to facilitate and share duties when requested by the public for focus groups to be held.

Upcoming Trainings:

1. Judges Symposium: July 26th
2. Children's Coalition: Aug. 11th

Objective B and E:

- B. Increase awareness that Indiana has disproportional representation of children of color in Child Welfare and Juvenile Justice Systems.
- E. Promote public policies in the state that address disproportionality in child welfare and juvenile justice.

Membership: Clara, Alfreda, and Tammy

- No Update: (No Members were present)

Objective C: Training all public and private professionals who work with children and families.

Membership: Delores, Pat, Tawanna

- A meeting has yet to be scheduled

Other Business:

- Please take time to visit the Harvard Cultural Awareness Imprint Interactive Site:
- ICJI has submitted website request to include all DMC materials on website. Once completed discussion of ICJI link on all stakeholders sites will be requested.
- Devina will contact other sub-committees to schedule/participate on those committees as well.
- It is strongly recommended that if you are not assigned to a sub-committee review scope (attached) and choose the sub-committee of interest to you.
- Indiana Civil Rts. Commission will be added to next meeting's agenda (Kathryn Lee)

Meeting Schedule

Aug. 9th 1-3 - Location TBA

Oct. 11th 1-3 - Location TBA

Please do NOT forget to meet with your sub-committees during our "off" months, Thanks!